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COMMUNICATION AND PETITION FOR A ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

This Communication is submitted in order to address the Examiner's outstanding rejections, as discussed during an October 5, 2005 telephonic interview between the undersigned attorney and Examiner Jegatheesan Seharaseyon, in connection with the above-identified application. A Notice of Appeal was filed on September 12, 2005 and received by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on September 15, 2005, making an Appeal Brief due November 15, 2005. Applicants hereby request a one-month extension of time. The fee for a one-month extension of time for a small entity is \$60.00, and a check including that amount is enclosed. In lieu of an Appeal Brief, applicants are filing this Communication along with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE). The fee for filing an RCE is \$395.00 and a check including that amount is enclosed. Accordingly, this Communication and RCE are being timely filed.

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